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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This Response to Office Action is filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed August 14, 2006. The deadline for filing a Response is November 14, 2006. Applicant thus submits that the present Response is timely filed on October 2, 2006. The following remarks and the accompanying Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 remove all grounds for rejection of the application, thereby placing it in condition for allowance.

There are no amendments to the claims.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.